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Penny Pocket A-LINE SKIRT

This A-line skirt is a breeze to make and the stylish, deep curved pockets make it functional as well as flattering

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SKILL LEVEL: ++ ++ ++ ++

MATERIALS:

- 1-2m medium weight woven fabric such as cotton or denim
- 50cm medium weight fusible interfacing
- 9" concealed zipper
- co-ordinating thread
- templates from www.sewnowmag.co.uk

NOTES:

Finish the raw edges with a zigzag stitch or on an overlocker
1.5cm seam allowance throughout unless otherwise stated

SIZING

Finished garment measurements	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20
Waist	25"	27"	29"	31"	33"	35"	37"	39"
Hem circumference	61"	63"	65"	67"	69"	71"	73"	75"
Length including waistband	24"	24"	24"	24"	24"	24"	24"	24"

HOW TO MAKE:

- 1 Sew darts in front skirt, press towards side seams.
- 2 Sew darts in back skirt pieces and press towards side seams.
- 3 Sew a gathering stitch along the long curved edge of the pocket piece using a 1 cm seam allowance. Pull the gathering stitches gently to help achieve an even 1cm turn on the edge of the pocket. Press in position. (See Pic A.)
- 4 Neaten the longest curved edge of the pocket facing. With right sides together,

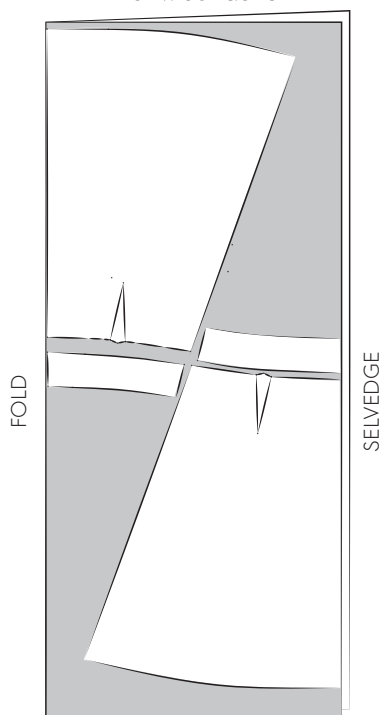
sew the facing in place with a 1cm seam allowance. Trim, turn and press the facing to wrong side. Press. (See Pic B). Top-stitch the pocket in place.

5 Pin the pocket into position on front of skirt and top-stitch in place around the long curved edge. (See Pic C.) Repeat on opposite side.

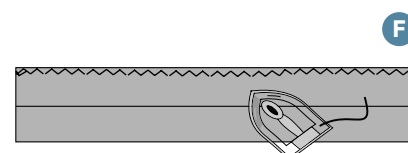
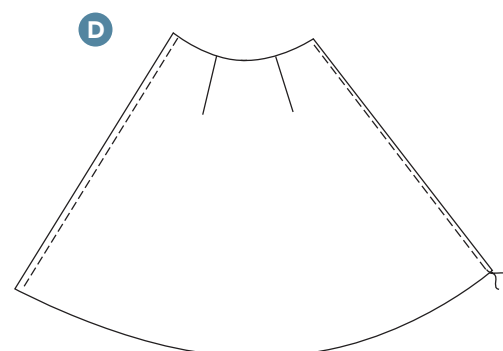
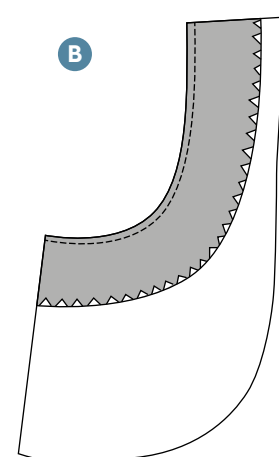
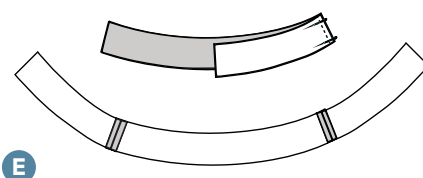
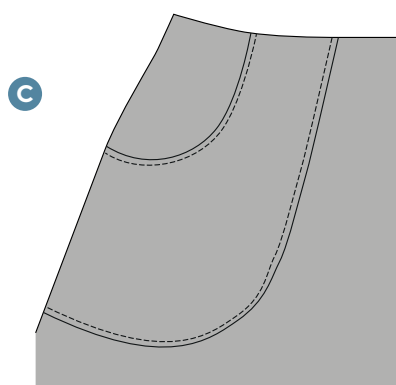
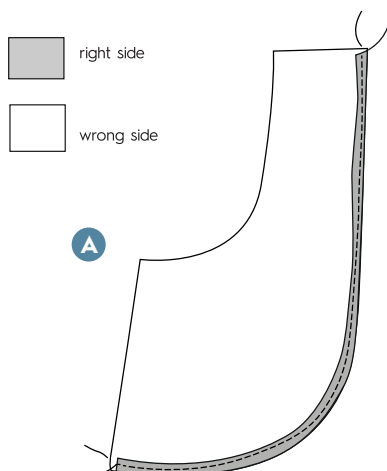
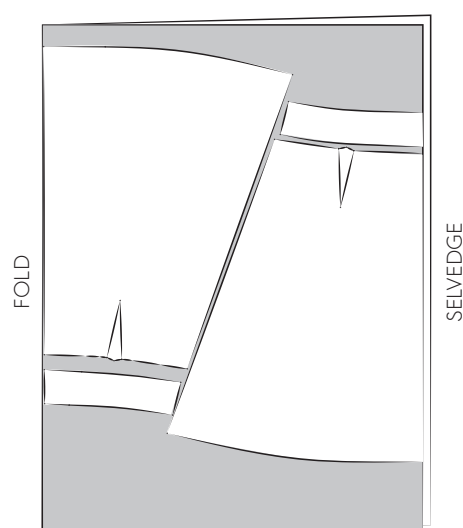
6 With right sides together, attach the front skirt to the back skirt pieces at the side seams using a 1.5cm seam allowance. Press seams open. (See Pic D.)

LAYPLANS

45"-wide fabric



60"-wide fabric





Stylish, flattering pockets

between. Sew in place. Press the seam allowance upwards. (See Pic G.)

10 Keep the waistband up so it is out of the way and pin the zipper in place along the centre back, making sure the top of the teeth sit just below the waistband seam. Hand-tack to secure, then change to zipper foot and sew in place. (See Pic H.) Repeat for the other side, being sure to align the waist seam.

11 Finish the centre back seam by turning skirt wrong side out and continuing from the base of the zipper down to the hem. Press seam open. (See Pic I.)

12 Press up the lower edge of the waistband facing by approximately 1cm. Now flip over the waistband facing so it is right sides together with the outer waistband and covering the top of the zipper. Still with the zipper foot in place, make a line of stitches down the sides of the zipper tape. Clip the corners to reduce bulk. (See Pic J.)

13 Turn the waistband and facing through to the right side and use a point turner to achieve a neat corner at the top of the zip. Pin the lower edge of the waistband facing in place from the right side. There should be a slight overhang past the seam

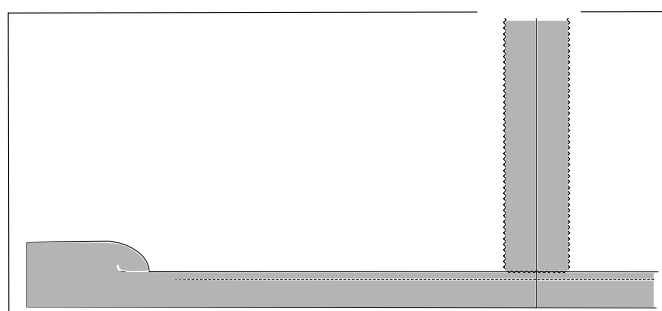
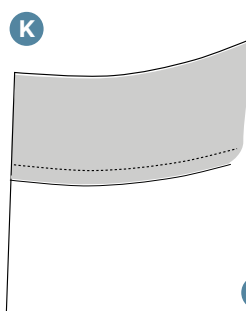
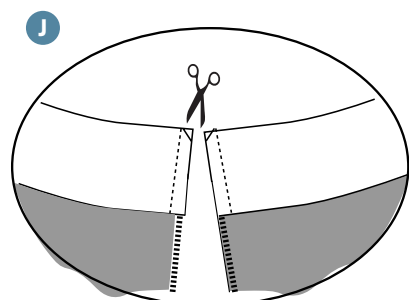
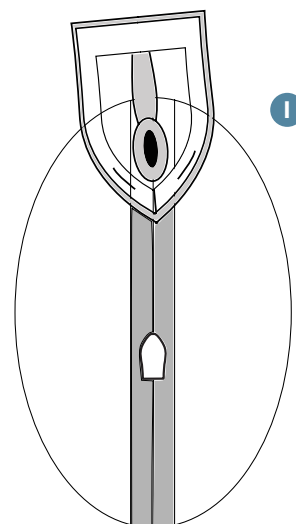
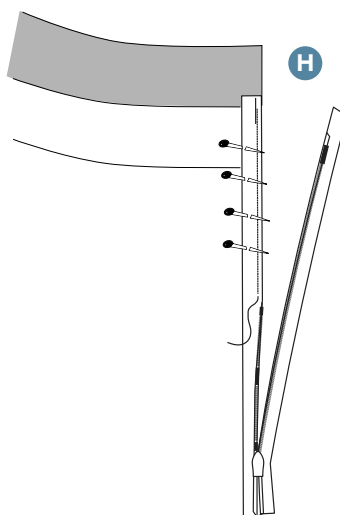
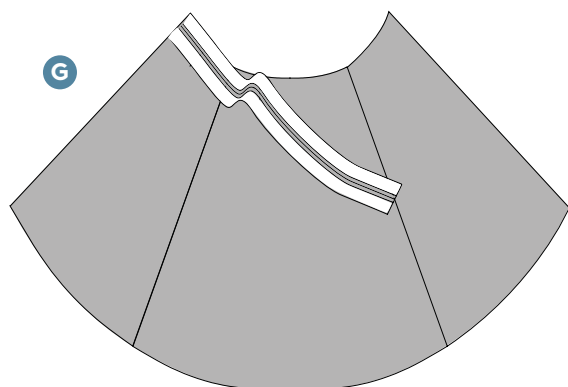
on the inside. Stitch in the ditch by sewing on the right side of the skirt, along the crease of the waistband seam as slowly as your machine will let you. On the inside you'll see a visible row of stitching where the waistband facing has been stitched down. (See Pic K.)

14 Press up the hem according to hem allowance, pin in place and then stitch, removing the pins as you go. (See Pic L.)

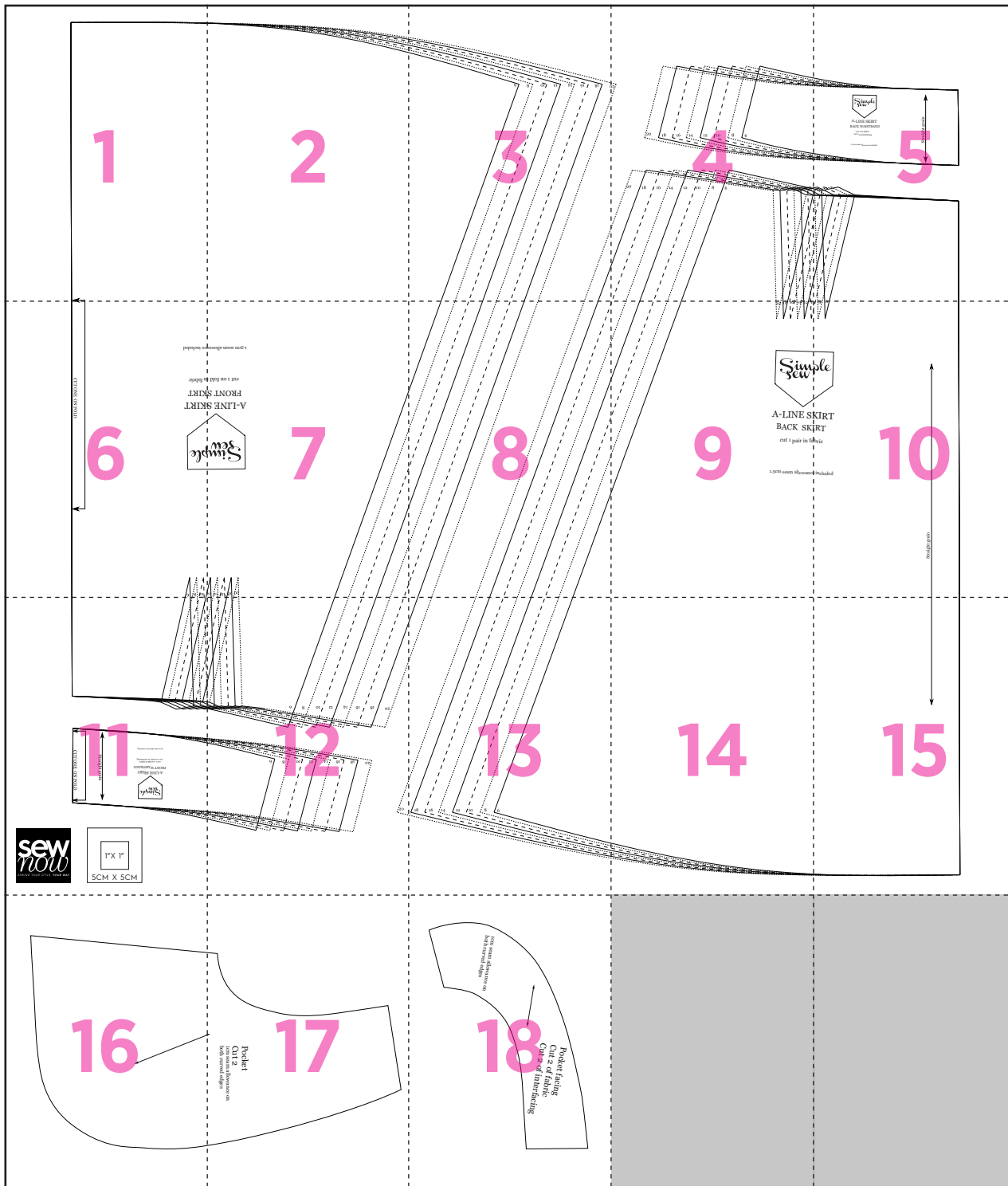
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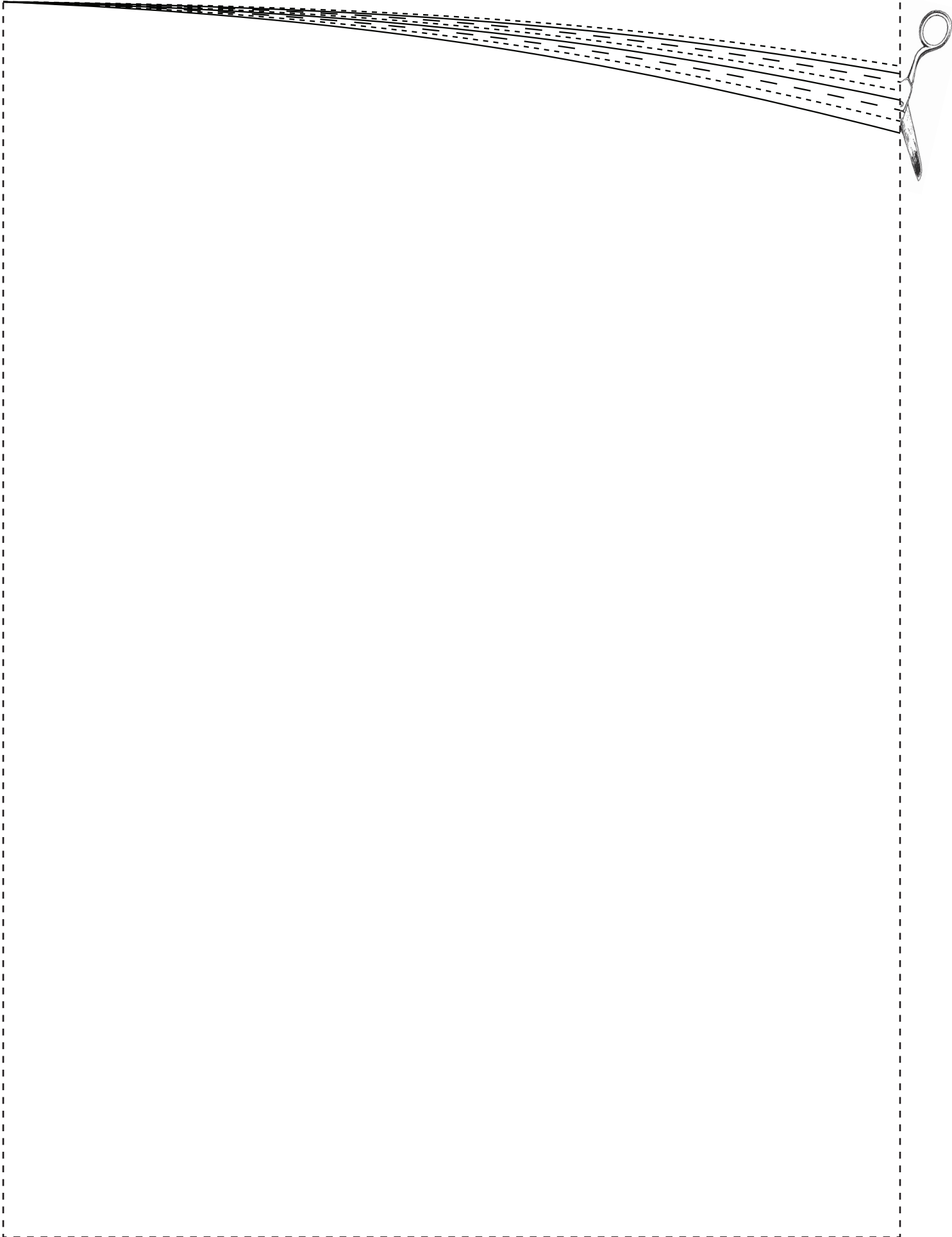
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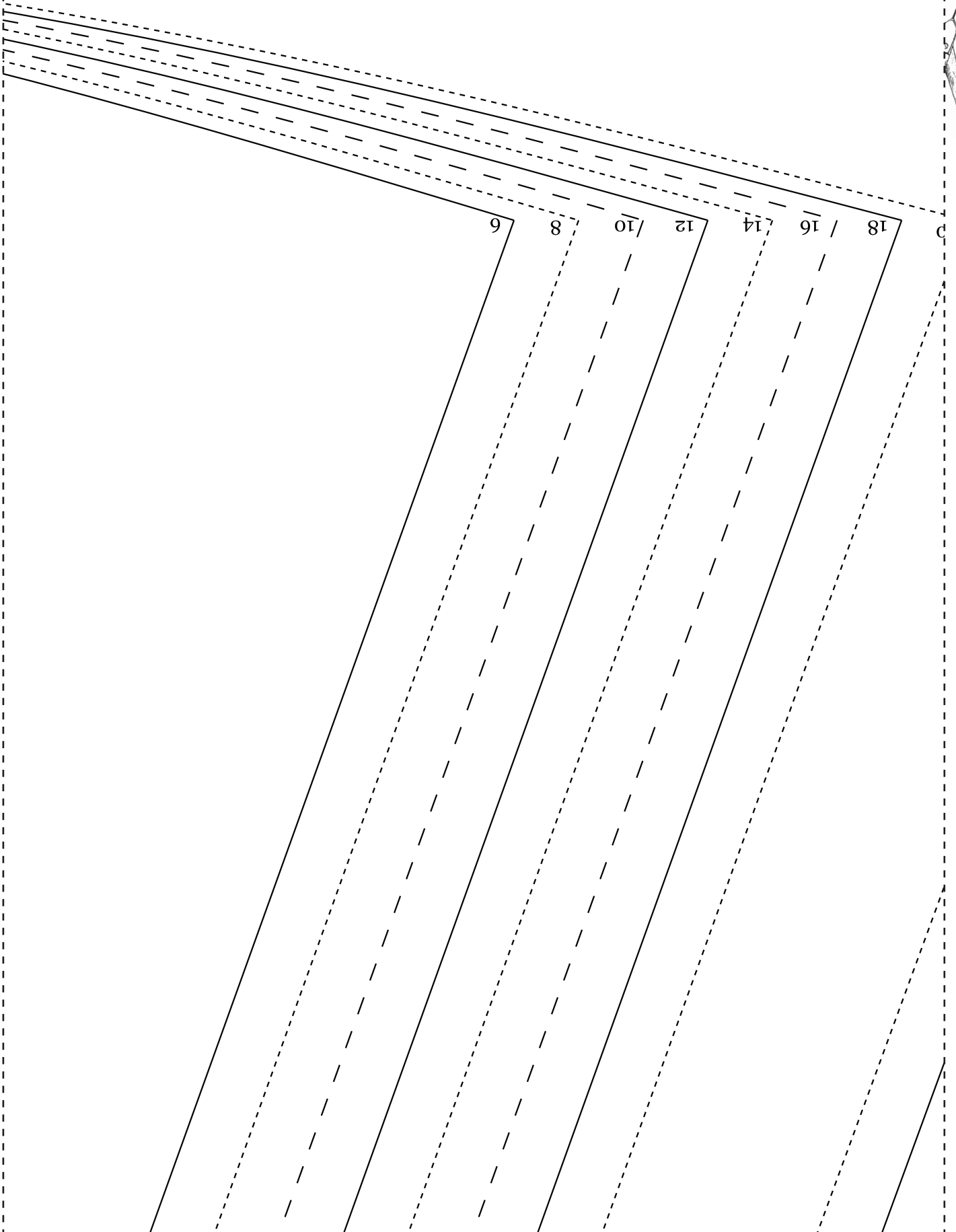
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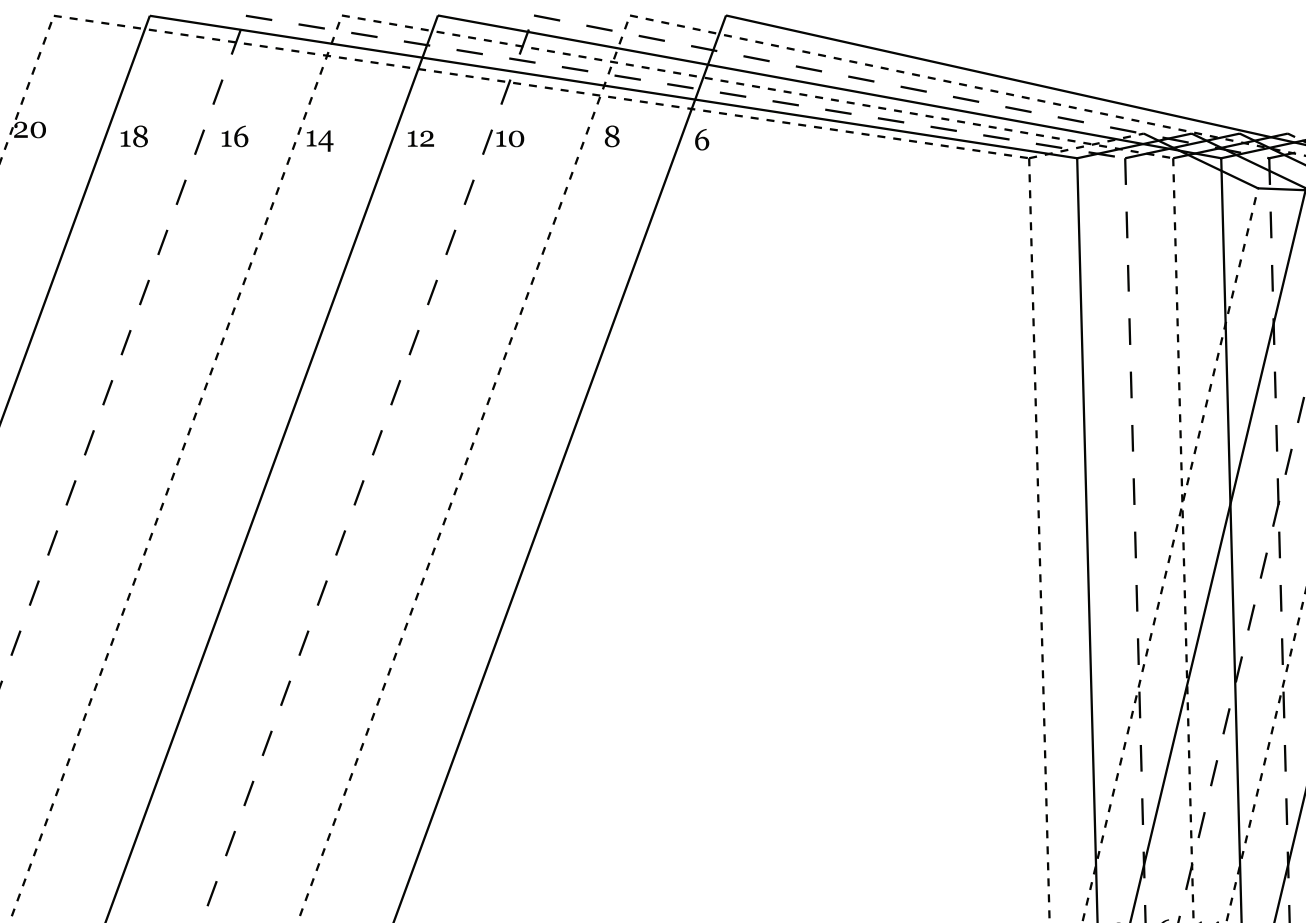
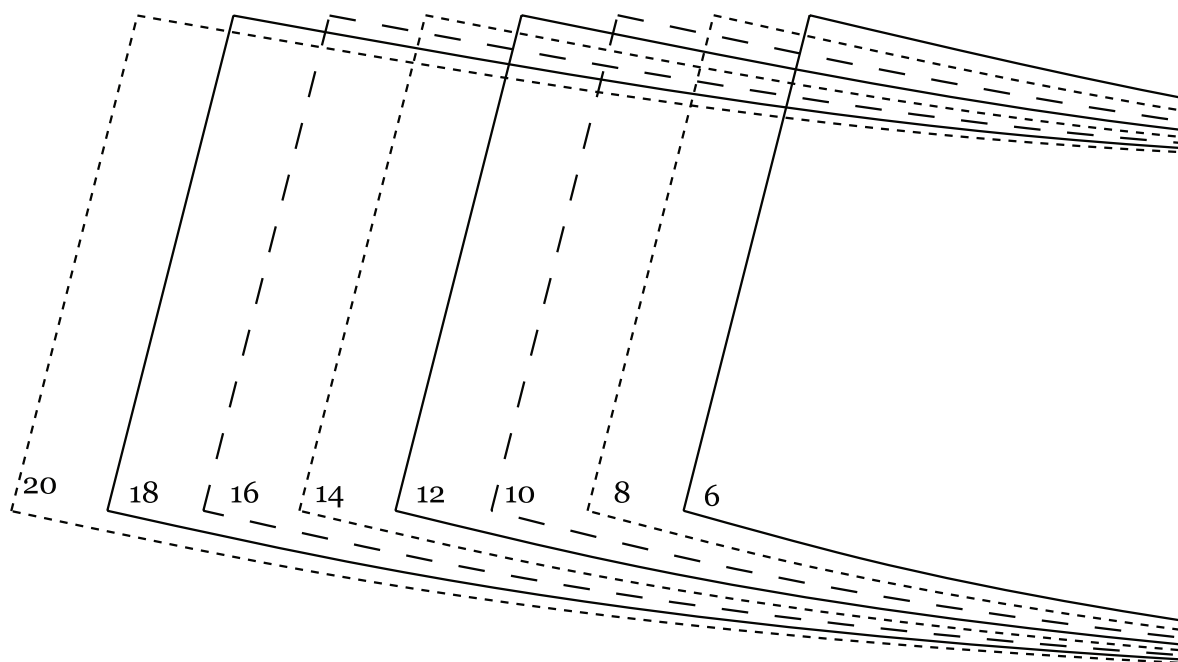
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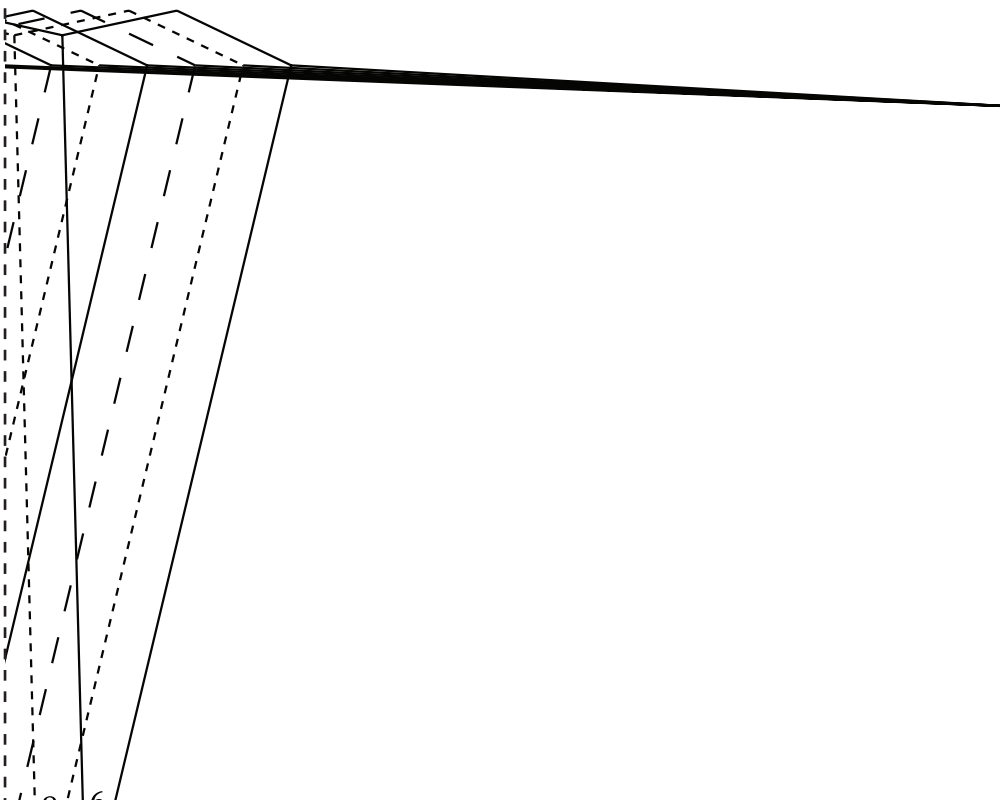
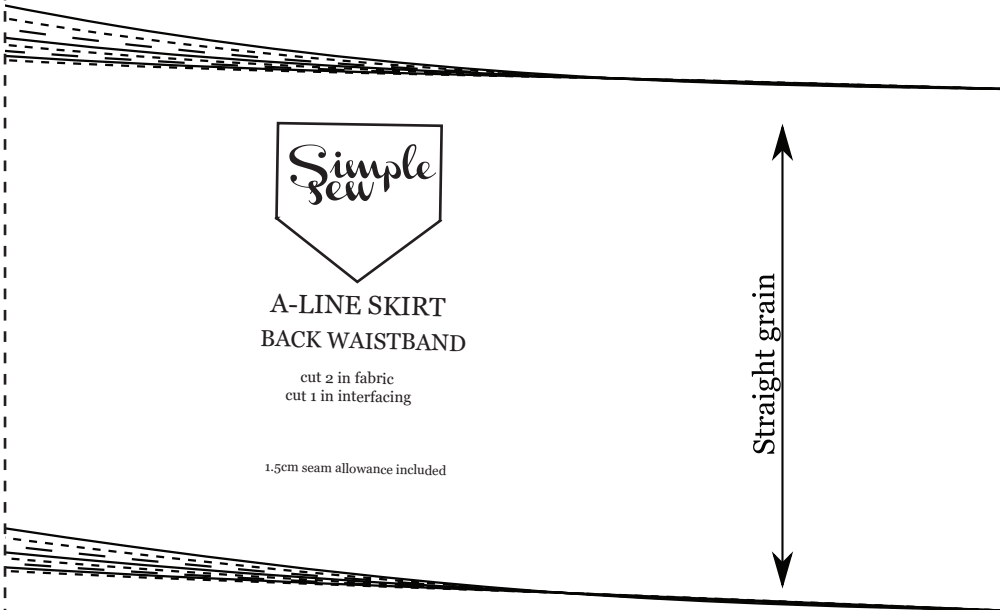
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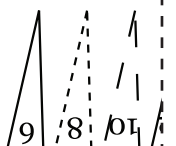
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1.5cm seam allowance

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A-LINE SKIRT BACK SKIRT

cut 1 pair in fabric

1.5cm seam allowance

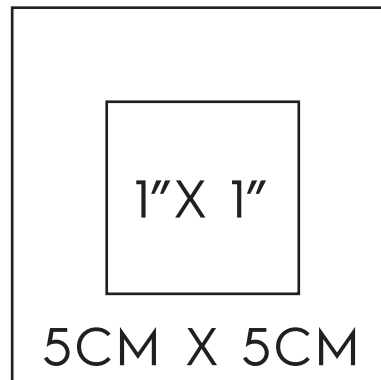
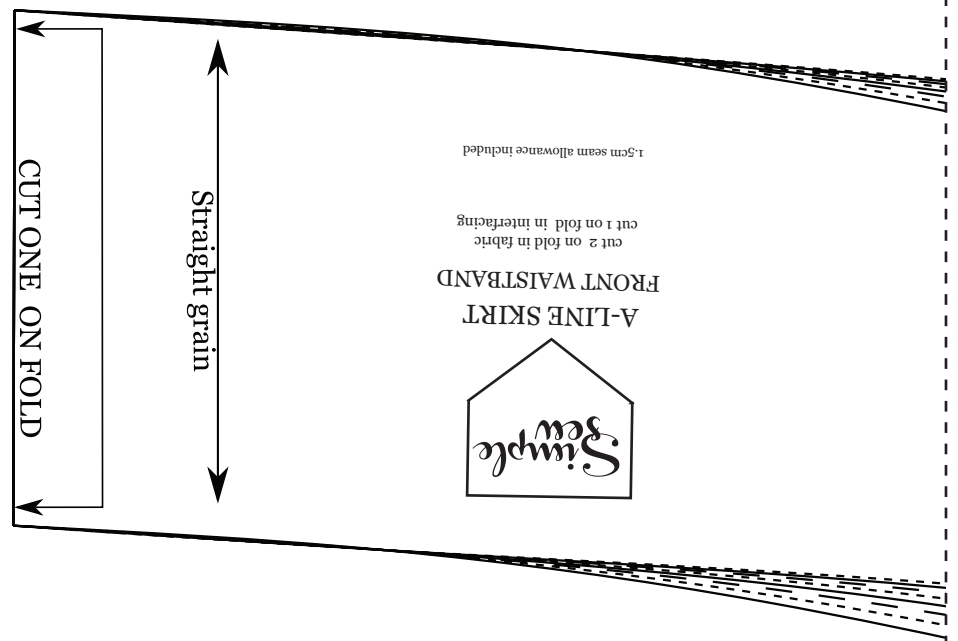
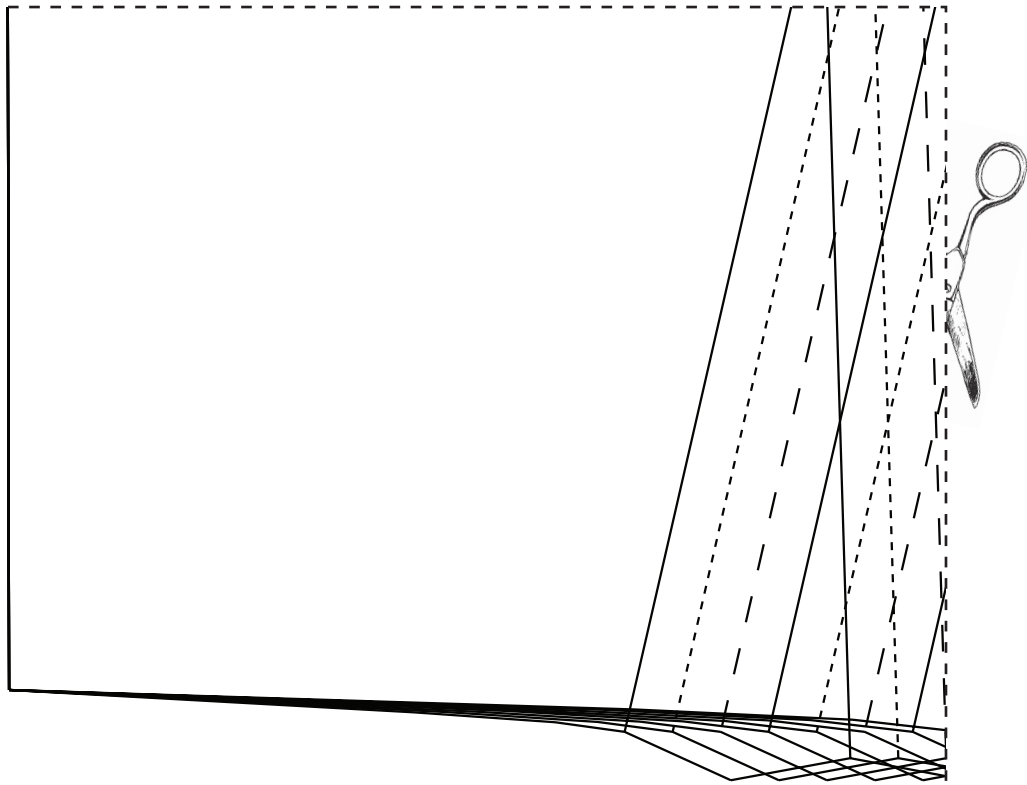


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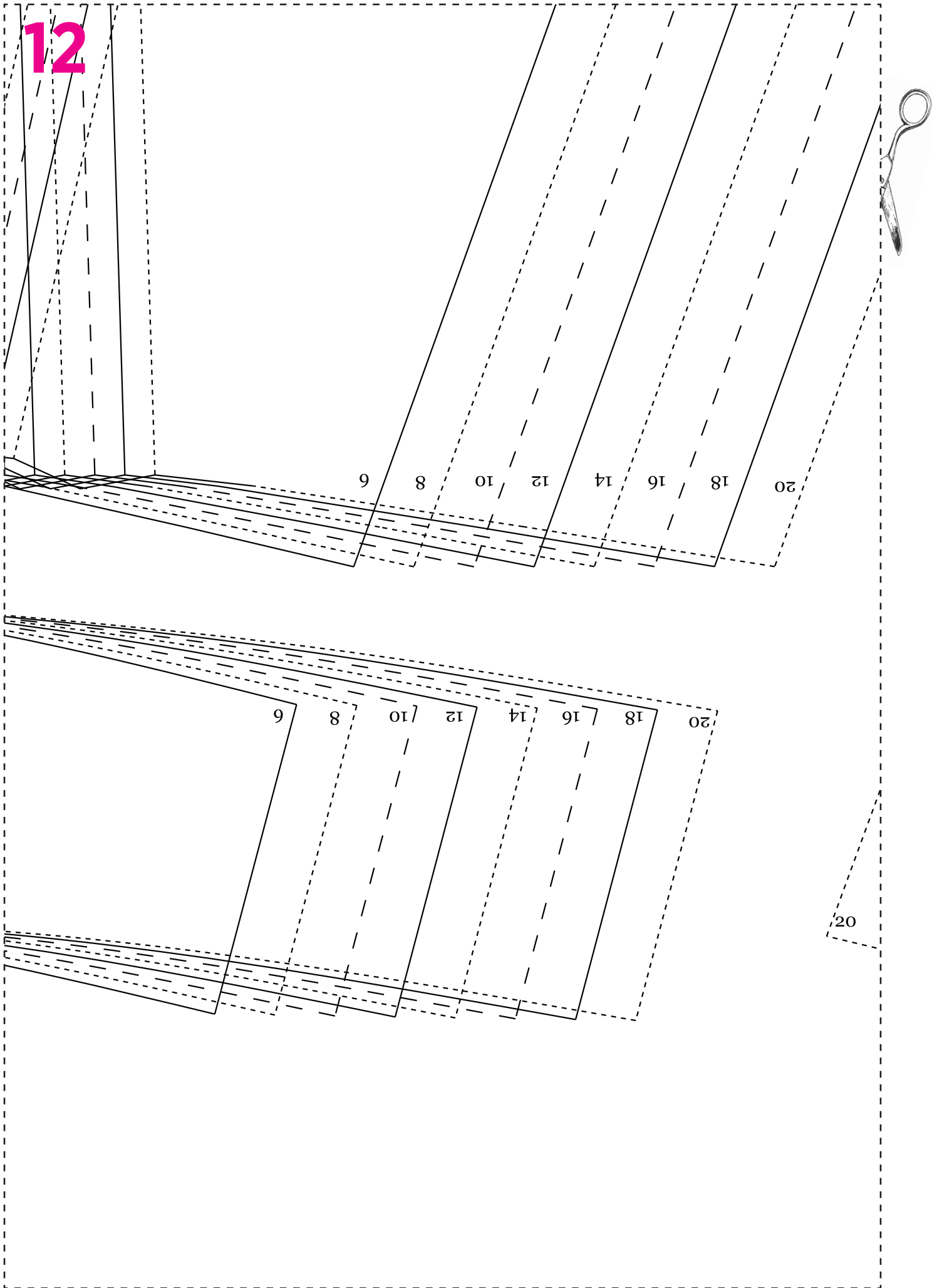
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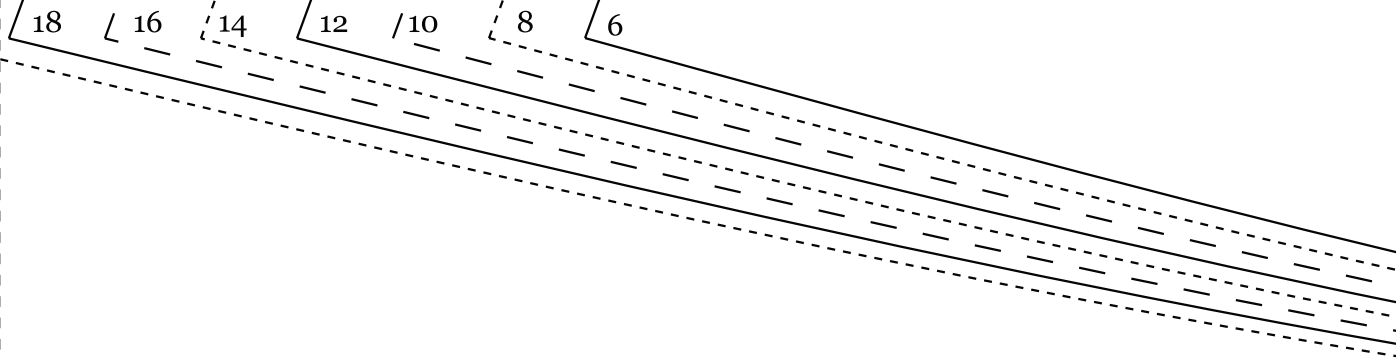


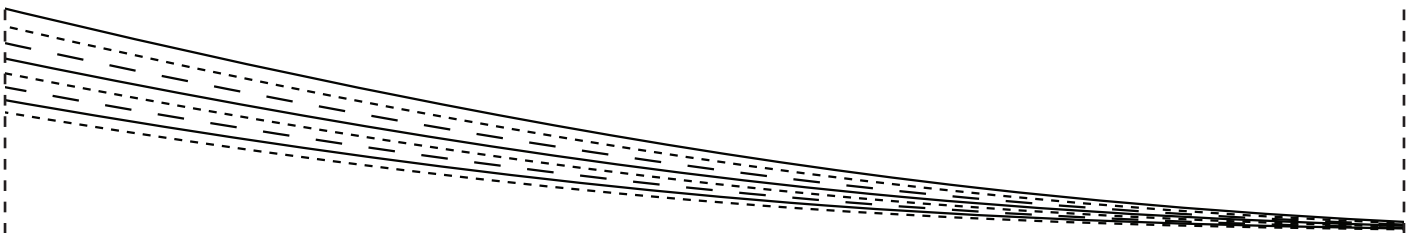


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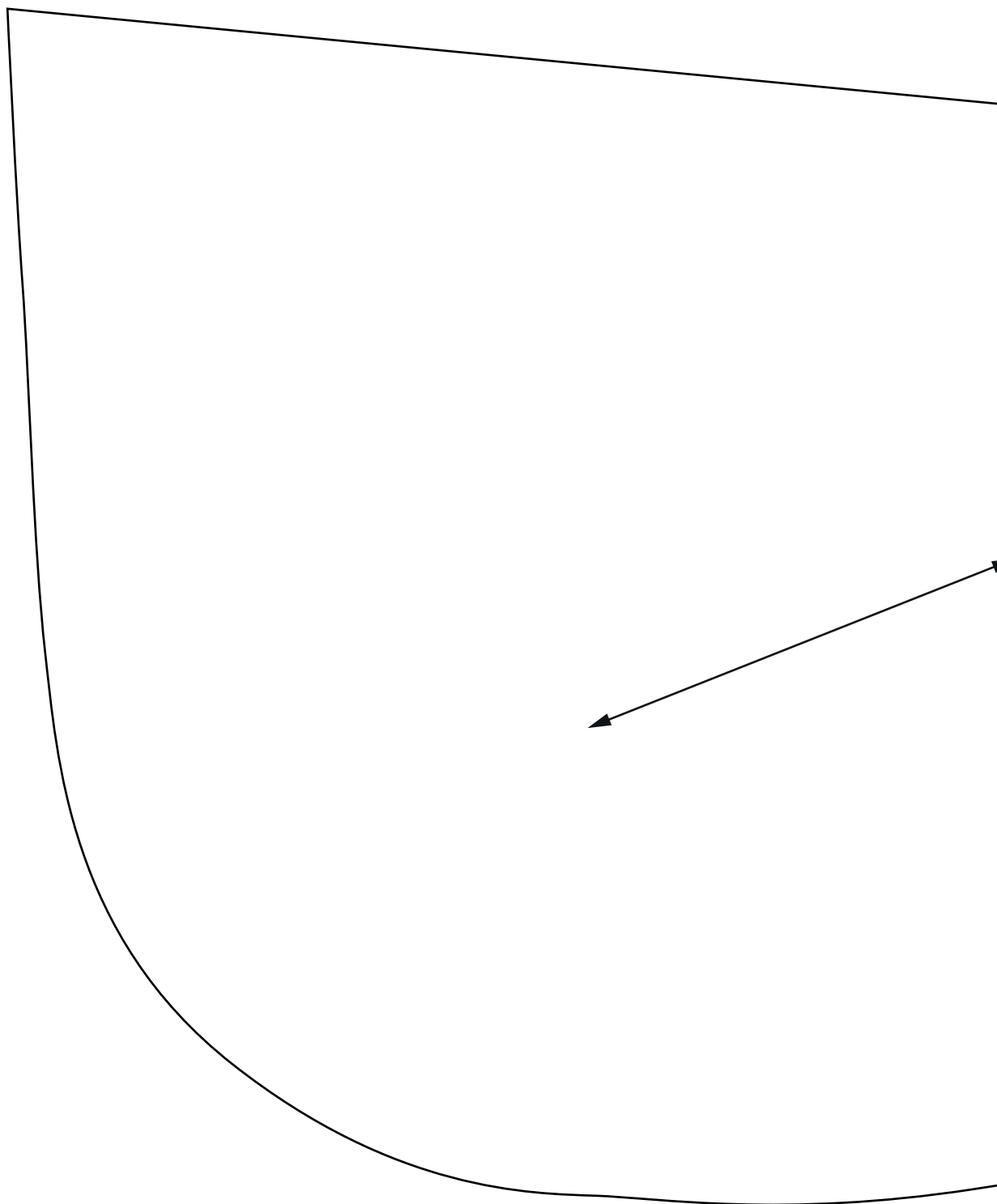
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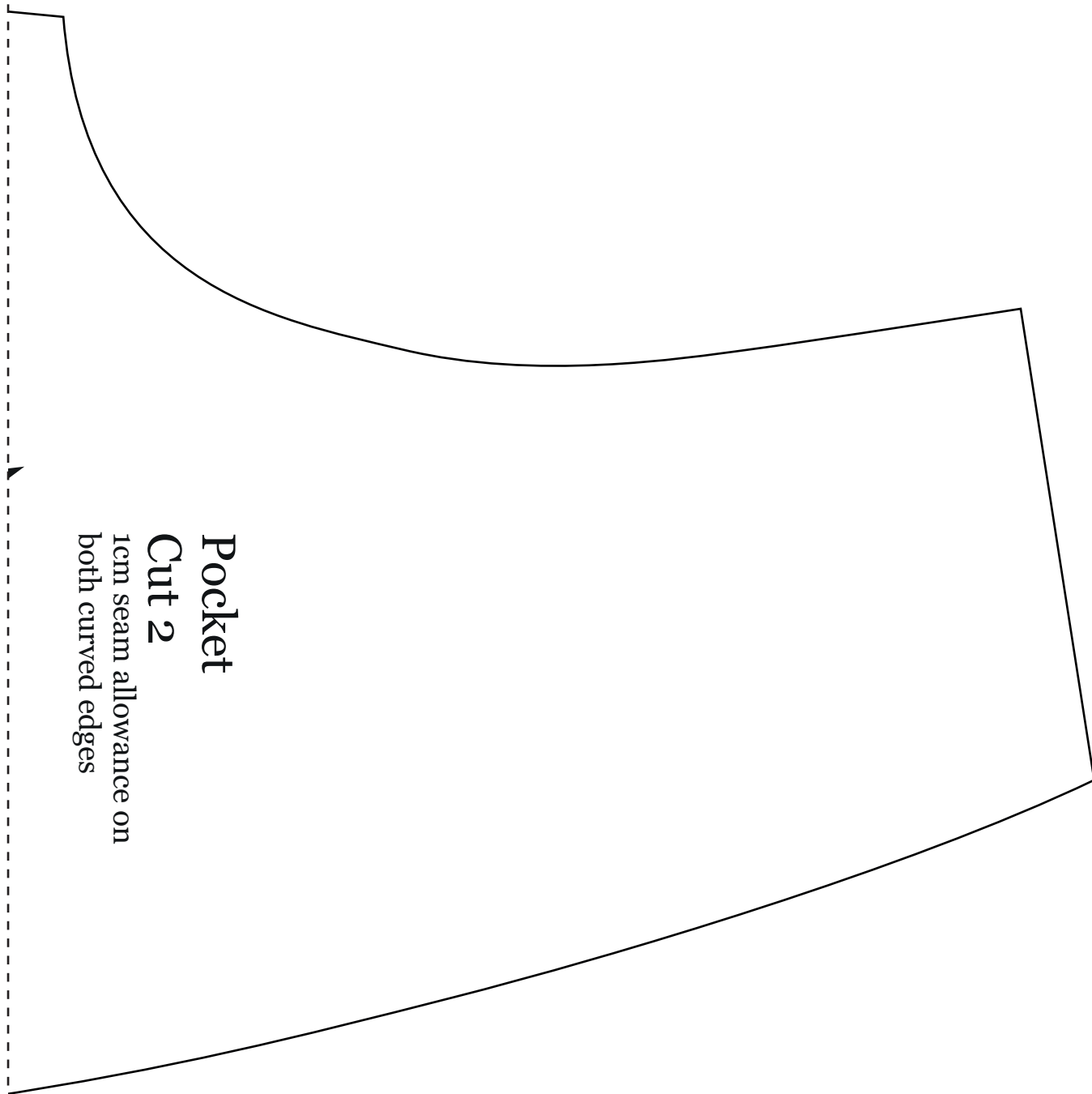




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Pocket
Cut 2
 1cm seam allowance on
 both curved edges

